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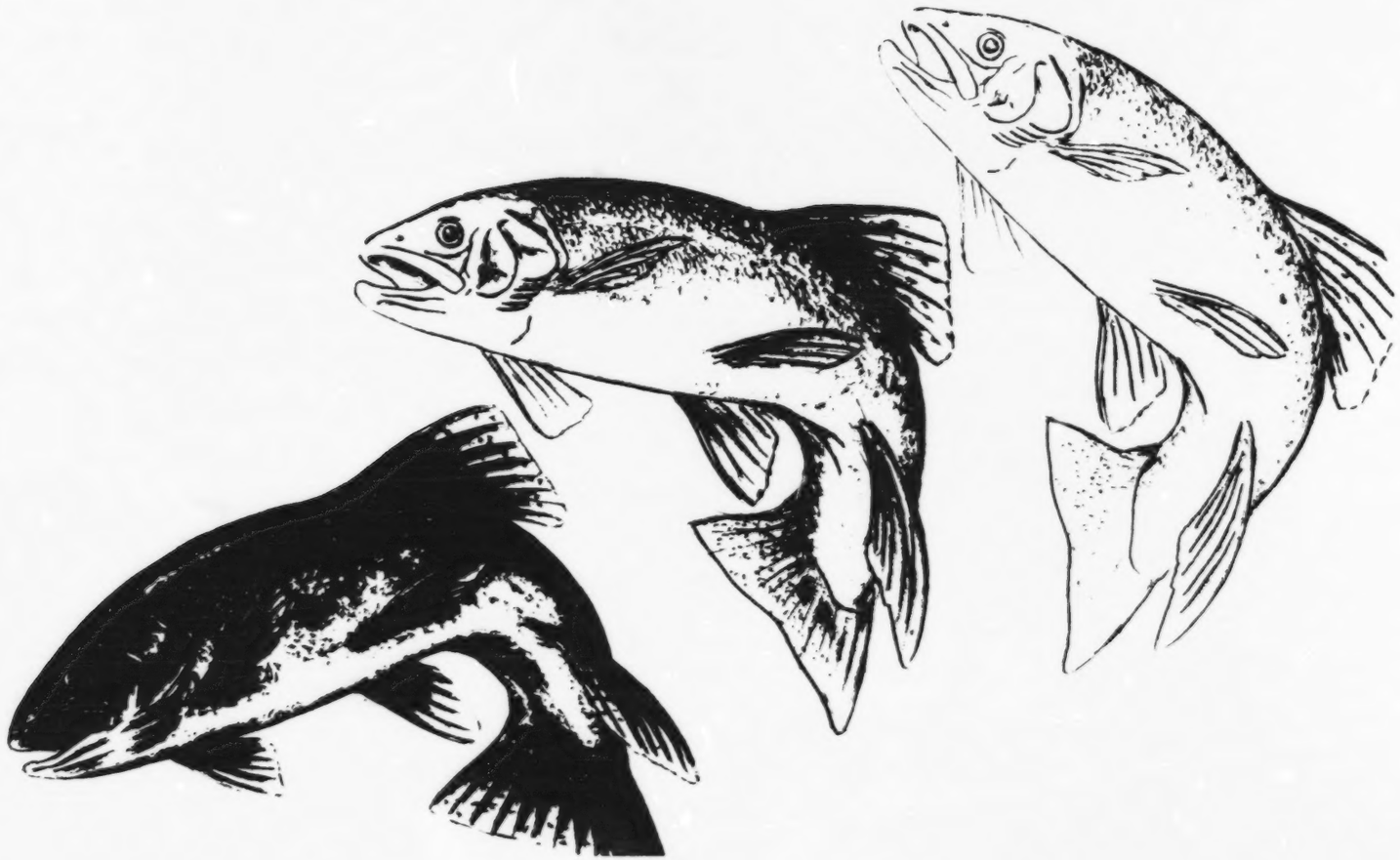

PREFACE

Saskatchewan has a wealth of lakes, streams, and reservoirs where rest and recreation are possible by just 'going fishing'. Thousands of waters are quite inaccessible in our vast northland, but there remain hundreds of fishing spots accessible to the public.

To help meet the needs of those who fish in Saskatchewan's lakes and streams, about 450 angling waters are checked on a five year rotating basis, by the Fisheries Branch, Department of Tourism and Renewable Resources. The studies are carried out by staff in the Recreational Fishery Unit, Prince Albert, to determine such factors as success of previous stockings, suitability of water, winterkill status, reasons for changes in habitat and fish populations, and future fishery management. These studies concentrate on smaller readily accessible water areas that are generally subject to heavy angling pressure. This catalogue is an alphabetical grouping of the waters examined in 1982.

Highlites of the 1982 summer work program are summarized below. Details on specific water bodies can be obtained by referring to the catalogue.

- 111 water bodies were examined in 1982 during the open water season.

- the 1981-82 winter was harsh, resulting in a greater than usual incidence of winterkill. Lakes checked in 1982 which are known to have experienced a partial or complete winterkill are: Alma, Cowan, Eagle, East, Helene, Moreland Reservoir, Olson, Pipe, Shell (Chitek Lake area), Snell and Terra.

- two waters contain newly established trout populations, these being Downton Lake (rainbow) and Highway Creek (brook).

- trout stocking was unsuccessful in Beatty Lake and Melville Reservoir.

- a good walleye population has been established in Kimball Lake through a 3-year stocking program in the mid to late 1970's.

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July 23 — ADMIRAL RESERVOIR (25,36-8-16 W3. South-west of Admiral): Admiral Reservoir is stocked with walleye every third year. A fish population study was conducted to update 1978 records. Test nets caught 24 walleye and 77 common suckers. Walleye ranged in size from 250-1100g (9-39 oz.); their median size was 500g (18 oz.). Results indicated a good walleye population was present. Angling success was reported as poor.

June 2 — ALMA LAKE (8-3-17 W2. North-east of Lake Alma (Town): Rainbow trout were stocked in 1979. Test netting was conducted to determine if trout were still present. Nil fish were caught.

June 24,25 — ALTHOUSE LAKE (km 68.5, Hwy. #102. North of La Ronge): This lake is stocked annually with 2000 brook trout fingerlings. Test nets were set to check on the population. Nets captured 83 brook trout weighing from 40 to 220g (1 to 7.5 oz.), indicating a very good population of pan-sized trout is present. 56 common suckers were also captured in the nets. Angling success has been slow.

June 17 — AVONLEA P.F.R.A. RESERVOIR (13-12-23 W2. South-east of Avonlea): A fish population study was conducted to update 1978 records and to check on the 1981 plant of walleye. Test nets caught 55 walleye and 86 common suckers. Walleye ranged in size from 50-2100g (2 oz. to 4.6 lb.); the majority were 400-700g (14 to 26 oz.). Results indicated the presence of a good population of small walleye. Angling activity is reported as good; success is not known.

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June 22 — BATKA LAKE (24-30-30 W1. Duck Mountain Provincial Park): Batka Lake is managed by stocking 100,000 walleye fry every second year; the last stocking was in 1981. A fish population study was conducted to update 1977 records. Test nets caught 15 walleye and 11 northern pike. Walleye ranged from 650-1600g (22-56 oz.), and pike ranged from 475-2000g (17-70 oz.). Results indicated a fair to good gamefish population was present. Angling success was reported as fair.

July 27 — BATTLE CREEK (5,6,7-29 W3. West Block, Cypress Hills): Battle Creek is stocked with rainbow trout every second year. A fish population study was conducted to update 1978 records. Test nets caught 13 rainbows, 68 common suckers and 1 longnose sucker. Rainbows ranged in size from 60-625g (2-22 oz.); their median size was 180g (6 oz.). Results indicated a poor angling population of rainbows were present. Angling success was fair.

June 10 — BAXTER LAKE (7,18-60-6 W3. North of Hackett Lake about 9 km): Baxter Lake was examined to check on the 1981 plant of walleye. Test nets caught 1 walleye and 40 northern pike. Results indicated poor walleye stocking success and a relatively good population of pike. Most pike ranged in size from 1.0-1.5 kg (2.3-3.3 lb.); the largest weighed 3.1 kg (7 lb.). Angling success is unknown.

August 25,26 — BEATTY LAKE (3-64-13 W3. North of Green Lake): This lake was rehabilitated in 1969 and stocked annually with rainbow trout fingerlings. Northern pike gained access to the lake in 1973 due to high water levels. An obstruction was installed in 1975 to prevent further pike migration. Extensive netting was carried out in 1977 to remove pike so trout stocking could be continued. Poor success was achieved from the 1978 and 1979 plants of 6000 rainbow. The most recent plant was 5000 in 1980. Test netting was carried out to determine success of the 1980 plant. No rainbow trout were captured in the test nets indicating no stocking success. One northern pike was captured weighing 1975g (70 oz.).

July 20,21 — BERGREN CREEK (31-49-18 W2. Fort a la Corne): This creek is stocked annually with 1000 rainbow trout fingerlings. A population study was carried out to update 1979 records. Netting indicated a fair to moderate population of rainbow is present. 10 rainbow were taken in the nets, weighing from 40 to 360g (1.5 to 12.5 oz.). 78 common suckers were also captured. Angling activity is limited.

June 22,23 — BERNA LAKE (km 130, Hwy. #102. North of La Ronge): This lake is stocked annually with 1000 rainbow trout fingerlings. Test nets were set to check on the rainbow population. Nets captured 5 rainbow weighing from 130 to 430g (4.5 to 15 oz.) indicating a fair to moderate population. Angling success has been reported to be good.

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June 15 — BLACKER LAKE (24,25-8-26 W3. Near Cypress Hills Provincial Park): A population of perch was present in this lake until a complete winterkill occurred about 1975. Public access had been a problem in past but this has been resolved so 2500 fingerling and adult perch were stocked this year. The population should increase by natural reproduction.

June 8 — BLUE HERON LAKE (14,15-52-4 W3. North-east of Canwood): A general fish population study was carried out to update 1978 records and to check on walleye fry stocked in 1979. Test nets caught 22 walleye, 50 northern pike and 14 perch. Walleye ranged in size from 0.4-2.6 kg (0.8-5.8 lb.); most weighed 1.0-1.8 kg (2.2-4.0 lb.). Most pike weighed between 1.0 and 1.5 kg (2.2 & 3.3 lb.). The largest perch was 90g (3 oz.). Results indicated relatively good angling populations of walleye and pike, and a poor population of perch. Walleye stocking success was poor. Angling is reported to be fair to good.

August 31 — BOUNDARY RESERVOIR (1-8 W2. South of Estevan): Boundary Reservoir is stocked every year with walleye. A fish population study was conducted to update 1978 records. Test nets caught 59 walleye, 1 northern pike, 230 perch, 29 common suckers and 158 bullheads. Walleye ranged in size from 120-4100g (4 oz.-9 lb.); their median size was 1350g (3 lb.). The one pike taken weighed 2200g (5 lb.). Only 5 of the perch taken were of angling size; the largest weighed 110g (4 oz.). Results indicated a good angling population of walleye and sparse populations of pike and perch. Anglers were catching mostly perch and some walleye; success was reported to be poor and good on occasion during the summer.

May 31, June 1 — BUCK LAKE (18-57-11 W3. N.E. of Chitek Lake): 3000 rainbow trout were stocked in 1981. Nets captured 1 rainbow trout weighing 37 gms (13 oz.). Poor success of the plant indicated by the test.

June 24 — BURTON LAKE (17,18-38-22 W2. 8 km North of Humboldt): A fish population study was conducted on Burton Lake to update 1977 records. Test nets caught 16 walleye and 15 northern pike. Walleye ranged in size from 675-850g (1.5-1.9 lb.). Pike ranged from 500-3300g (1.1-7.3 lb.); their median size was 700g (1.6 lb.). Results indicated a relatively good gamefish population was present. Angling activity was light with good success for pike; no walleye were reported caught by anglers.

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August 25

BUSHY LAKE (3-45-20 W3. North-east of Cutknife): Bushy Lake is stocked every third year with walleye. A fish population study was conducted to update 1978 records. Test nets caught 83 walleye and 30 perch; this is the first time that perch have been taken. Walleye ranged in size from 10-1000g (0.1 oz.-2.2 lb.); their median size was 700g (1.5 lb.). Perch ranged in length from 12-25 cm (5-10 in.); the largest weighed 240g (1/2 lb.). Results indicated a good population of walleye and a small population of angling sized perch were present. Angling success this year has been poor.

C

July 24,25

CONGLOMERATE CREEK (6-23 W3. North of Eastend): Conglomerate Creek has been stocked with rainbow, brook and brown trout; most recently, rainbows were stocked in 1980 and 1981. A fish population study was conducted to update 1978 records. Test nets caught 2 rainbow, 4 brook and 6 brown trout, as well as 205 common suckers and 1 bullhead. Rainbows weighed about 200g (7 oz.), brooks weighed between 50 & 1250g (2 & 44 oz.), and browns weighed between 1100 & 1925g (39 & 68 oz.). Results indicated poor angling populations of trout were present. Angling activity was reported as light.

July 8

CORA LAKE (N.E.¼ 13-61-18 W2. 7 km South-east of Little Bear Lake on Uchuk Lake Pulp Road): Cora Lake is stocked with 1000 rainbow trout annually. A fish population study was conducted to update 1979 records. Test nets caught 3 rainbow trout which ranged in size from 240-750g (9-26 oz.). Results indicated a poor population of trout was present. Angling success unknown.

June 13,14,15

COWAN LAKE (56-8 W3. North of Big River): A population study was carried out on this lake to determine the extent of the winterkill that occurred this winter. Findings were as follows: PIKE - 35 were netted, weighing from 225g to 3.9kg (8 oz.-8.5 lb.). Comparison of netting results from 1981 and 1982 indicate about a 75% reduction in pike numbers, likely because of winterkill. Most of the pike were caught in the central portion of the lake. No walleye or perch were caught in this study.

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August 4,5

D'AMOUR LAKE (17,18-47-7 W3. South of Iroquois Lake): This lake is stocked every second year with 200,000 walleye fry. A general fish population study was carried out to update 1977 records. Findings were as follows: WALLEYE - 21 netted weighing from 400-1800g (14-63 oz.). A moderate population of walleye is present. NORTHERN PIKE - 30 netted with 2 weighing 1600 & 3800g (3.5 & 8.3 lb.), and the remainder 260-900g (9-32 oz.), indicating a good population is present. PERCH - a sparse population of angling sized perch is present. 15 netted weighing from 30-180g (1-6 oz.). Angling success for small pike has been good.

August 19,20

DOROTHY LAKE (30-61-18 W2. Near Narrows of Little Bear Lake): This lake is stocked with 1000 brown then 2000 brook trout on an alternate year basis. Test netting indicated a good population of brook trout and a sparse population of brown trout. 22 brook were taken in the nets, weighing from 80-600g (2.7-21 oz.). Only 1 brown trout was captured weighing 1150g (40 oz.). Moderate angling activity with fair success for brook trout.

September 1,2

DOWNTON LAKE (55°08' 105°14' Near La Ronge): This lake has a population of Arctic grayling. 3800 rainbow trout fingerlings were stocked in 1981. Test nets were set to check for rainbow stocking success and a population study of Arctic grayling. Nets captured 19 rainbow weighing from 425-700g (15-25 oz.) indicating good success of the plant. A fair to moderate population of Arctic grayling is present since 12 were captured weighing from 575-750g (20-26 oz.). Angling success was reported to be good for rainbow.

June 10

DUGOUT LAKE (18,19-60-6 W3. North of Hackett Lake about 9 km): Dugout Lake was examined to check on the 1981 plant of walleye. Test nets caught 32 northern pike and no walleye. Results indicated walleye stocking was unsuccessful. A good population of pike was present. Most pike ranged in size from 1.0-1.6 kg (2.3-3.5 lb.); the largest was 5.5 kg (12 lb.). Angling success is unknown.

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August 4,5 — EAGLEBACK LAKE (12,13-49-8 W3. South-east of Shell Lake Town): This lake was stocked with 500 perch in 1976 and 100 adult pike in 1978. Test netting was carried out to determine if a population has been established by natural reproduction. Nets captured 5 northern pike weighing from 2500-3100g (5.5-6.8 lb.). No natural reproduction is evident. Also captured were 42 perch weighing from 50-140g (1.5-5 oz.), indicating that natural reproduction of perch is occurring. Angling activity has been limited.

July 13 — EAGLE LAKE (42-19 W2. West of Silver Park): A winter oxygen test in March 1982, revealed low levels in Eagle Lake. Test netting was conducted to determine the extent of the suspected winterkill. Nets caught nil fish. It is concluded that a winterkill did occur.

June 7,8 — EAST LAKE (27,28-59-7 W3. North of Hackett Lake): This lake was netted to determine the degree of a suspected winterkill. Nets captured no fish indicating that a complete kill of splake occurred during the 1981-82 winter.

August 3,4 — EMERALD LAKE (33-48-7 W3. South-east of Shell Lake Town): This lake is stocked every second year with 200,000 walleye fry. A general fish population study was carried out to update 1977 records. Findings were as follows: WALLEYE - 80 netted weighing from 70-1475g (2.5-52 oz.) with the majority 425-1200g (15-42 oz.). A good population of walleye is present. NORTHERN PIKE - 20 netted weighing from 475-1300g (17-46 oz.), indicating a moderate to good population is present. PERCH - only 1 small perch was netted. Angling success has been only fair.

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June 22,23 — FELDSPAR LAKE (km 120, Hwy. #102. North of La Ronge): This lake is stocked annually with 4000 rainbow trout fingerlings. Test nets were set to check on the population. Nets captured 41 rainbow weighing from 110-460g (4-16 oz.), indicating a good population of rainbow is present. Angling success has been reported to be good.

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August 18 — FISHING LAKE (BIG) (33-11 W2. South of Kuroki): Big Fishing Lake is stocked every second year with walleye fry. A fish population study was conducted to update 1977 records. Test nets caught 73 walleye, 2 northern pike, 3 perch and 3 common suckers. Walleye ranged in size from 100-2200g (4 oz.-4.8 lb.); their median size was 600g (21 oz.). Pike weighed 625 & 900g (22 & 32 oz.). All perch taken were too small for angling. Results indicated a good population of walleye and a poor population of pike. Angling success was fair to good for both walleye and pike.

August 18 — FISHING LAKE (LITTLE) (33-11 W2. Connected to Big Fishing Lake): Little Fishing Lake is stocked every second year with walleye fry. A fish population study was conducted to update 1977 records. Test nets caught 13 walleye, 8 northern pike, 6 perch and 14 common suckers. Walleye ranged in size from 480-2000g (17 oz.-4.4 lb.); their median size was 675g (1.5 lb.). Pike ranged from 180-925g (6-33 oz.). All perch taken were too small for angling. Results indicated a fair population of walleye and a poor population of pike. Angling success was fair to good for both walleye and pike.

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June 24 — GOOD SPIRIT LAKE (29-5 W2. 20 km South-east of Canora): Good Spirit Lake is managed by stocking 500,000 walleye fry every second year. A fish population study was conducted to update 1977 records. Test nets (300 yds.) caught 286 walleye, 3 northern pike and 1 perch. Walleye ranged in size from 125-1625g (4 oz.-3.6 lb.); the majority weighed 800-1100g (1.8-2.5 lb.). The three pike ranged from 825-1000g (1.8-2.2 lb.); the one perch weighed 300g (11 oz.). Results indicated an excellent population of walleye was present. Angling was reported as good.

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June 30

GREENWATER LAKE (41-11 W2. Greenwater Park): A fish population study was conducted on Greenwater Lake to update 1977 records. Test nets caught 30 walleye, 19 northern pike, 21 perch, 83 common suckers and 5 burbot. Walleye ranged in size from 40-1800g (2 oz.-4 lb.); their median size was 500g (1.1 lb.). Pike ranged from 400-5600g (14 oz.-12 lb.); their median size was 725g (1.6 lb.). The largest perch taken was 350g (13 oz.). Results indicated a relatively good population of small walleye and a fair population of pike and perch. Angling activity was moderate to heavy with good success in early June.

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June 3,4

HELENE LAKE (52-16 W3. North of Glaslyn): This lake was examined to determine the degree of a reported winterkill. Nets captured 5 common suckers indicating that a small number of this species survived the winterkill. A complete kill of walleye occurred.

July 20

HIGHFIELD RESERVOIR (15-10,11 W3. 30 km East of Swift Current): A fish population study was conducted on Highfield Reservoir to update 1977 records. Test nets caught 3 walleye, 8 northern pike, 1 perch and 125 common suckers. All walleye weighed about 400g (14 oz.); pike ranged in size from 240-2700g (8 oz.-6 lb.); and the one perch weighed 200g (7 oz.). Results indicated a small gamefish population was present. Angling activity was reported as light.

September 1,2

HIGHWAY CREEK (17-67-23 W2. Approx. 40 km South of La Ronge): This creek was stocked with 1000 brook trout fingerlings in 1980. Test nets were set to check for stocking success. Nets captured 3 brook trout weighing from 525-675g (19-24 oz.), indicating fair stocking success. 12 common suckers were also captured in the nets. No known angling activity to date.

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August 5,6 — IROQUOIS LAKE (48-7,8 W3. South of Shell Lake Town): This lake is stocked every second year with 300,000 walleye fry. A general fish population study was carried out to update 1978 records. Findings were as follows: WALLEYE - 100 netted weighing from 30-1450g (1-51 oz.). A good population of walleye is present. NORTHERN PIKE - 22 netted weighing from 375-1375g (13-48 oz.), indicating that a fair to moderate population is present. PERCH - no angling sized perch were captured. 2 netted 30g size (1 oz.). Also captured in the nets were 47 common suckers and 3 whitefish. Angling success is reported to be fair to good.

July 13 — ISBISTER LAKE (8-41-30 W1. Woody Lake Road): A population study was carried out on this lake to update the 1978 information. Gill nets caught 37 pike, 66 perch and 40 suckers. The pike ranged from 120-2000g (4 oz.-4.4 lb.), while the perch ranged from 110-550g (4 oz.-19 oz.). Both the pike and perch populations are rated as good. There appears to be only moderate angling pressure on the lake at this time.

July 14 — ISLAND LAKE (14,23,24-41-30 W1. Near Spirit Lake, Woody Lake Road): This population study was the first fisheries work carried out on Island Lake. The lake can be reached by narrow creek channel from the north end of Spirit Lake. Island Lake is shallow with a maximum depth of 2 meters (6 ft.). Gill net sets caught 11 walleye, 20 pike, 40 perch and 5 suckers. The walleye ranged from 470-1700g (16.5 oz.-3.7 lb.), while the pike ranged from 70-850g (2.5-30 oz.) and the perch from 50-250g (1.8-8.8 oz.). Considering the shallow nature of this lake there is a good population of all species present.

June 23,24 — ITALY LAKE (km 116, Hwy. #102. North of La Ronge): This lake has been stocked with brook and rainbow trout. Test nets were set to check on the population. Nets captured 4 rainbow, weighing from 565-1400g (20-48 oz.), indicating only a fair population. A good population of pan-sized brook trout was indicated as 26 were captured weighing from 80-200g (2.5-7 oz.) with one being 700g (24 oz.). 82 common suckers were also captured. Angling activity is moderate with fair to good success reported.

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September 2 — JAHN'S MINE STRIP (6.5 km West of Roche Percee. South-east of Estevan): Jahn's Mine Strip is stocked every second year with splake; the last plant was in 1981. A fish population study was conducted to update 1978 records. Test nets caught 30 splake. They ranged in size from 100-700g (4 oz.-1.6 lb.); their median size was 130g (5 oz.). Results indicated a good population of small trout and a moderate number of larger trout were present. Angling activity was reported as moderate with good success occurring in the spring.

June 30 — JEAN (PERCH) LAKE (22,23-44-9 W2. 11.2 km East & 3.2 km South of Mistatim): A fish population study was conducted on Jean Lake to update 1977 records. Test nets caught 6 northern pike and 32 perch. Pike ranged in size from 130-4900g (5 oz.-11 lb.). Perch were generally of good size; the largest weighed 300g (12 oz.). Results indicated a good angling population of perch and fair population of pike. Angling success is good for perch.

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July 28,29 — KIMBALL LAKE (31,32-62-19 W3. Meadow Lake Provincial Park): A general fish population study was carried out on Kimball Lake to update 1977 records. Findings were as follows: WALLEYE - 144 netted weighing from 625-1150g (22-40 oz.), indicating the presence of a very good population. NORTHERN PIKE - a poor population of pike was indicated since only 1 was netted weighing 1100g (38 oz.). PERCH - no angling sized perch were captured in the nets. 28 netted weighing from 30-60g (1-2 oz). 1 common sucker and 12 whitefish were also captured in the test nets. Angling success was classed as fair.

August 24 — KINDERSLEY TOWN RESERVOIR (2-29-23 W3. 2 km South-east of Kindersley) A fish population study was conducted on Kindersley Town Reservoir to update 1977 records. Test nets caught 2 northern pike and 8 perch. The pike weighed about 200g (1/2 lb.), and the perch weighed between 40 & 280g (2 & 10 oz.). Results indicated a poor population of pike and a fair population of angling sized perch were present.

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May 19

KIT LAKE (12-61-21 W2. South of East Trout Lake): This lake is stocked with 6000 trout fingerlings annually. Reports of perch being caught by anglers were received in 1981. Test netting was carried out to determine size of perch population and their effect on the stocked trout. Findings were as follows: RAINBOW - a good population present with 17 being caught ranging from 108-2000g (3.8 oz.-4.4 lb.), approximately half the trout caught were from 108-200g (3.8-7 oz.). PERCH - good numbers present with 16 being caught. Although the perch are large, up to 227g (8 oz.), they do not seem to be competing with or preying upon the trout at present. Good stocking success from the 1981 plant is evident.

June 29,30

KONUTO LAKE (65-1 W2. Near Denare Beach): This lake is stocked with 6000 brook trout then 30,000 rainbow on an alternate year basis. Test nets were set to check on the trout population. Nets captured 36 brook trout ranging in size from 300-1600g (10 oz.-3.5 lb.), the majority were 300-550g (10-20 oz.) indicating a good population. A moderate to good population of rainbow is present as indicated by the catch of 22 weighing from 1050-3000g (2.3-6.5 lb.). Angling success is reported to be good.

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June 1,2

LARSEN LAKE (27-49-10 W3. South-east of Spiritwood): This lake was stocked with 100,000 walleye fry in 1981. Test netting was carried out to check on the success of the stocking. No walleye were captured. Nets caught 42 northern pike weighing from 150-3800g (5 oz.-8.3 lb.). A good population of pike is indicated by the number taken. Angling success for pike is reported to be good. 3 perch were also caught indicating a sparse angling population of this species.

June 1

LARSEN RESERVOIR (19-6-7 W2. Near Radville): Test netted to determine if any fish survived after the reservoir was drained last fall. Nil fish were caught. A small number of adult and yearling perch were seined from Ceylon Reservoir and were stocked in Larsen Reservoir. Perch should now become re-established.

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June 23 — LITTLE BOGGY CREEK (29-31 W1. Duck Mountain Provincial Park): Brook and brown trout have been stocked in Little Boggy Creek with little success; the last stocking was in 1974. Test netting was conducted after an angler reported catching some trout in 1981. Test nets caught only suckers and creek chub. Results indicate that little or no trout are present in the creek.

August 11,12 — LITTLE LAKE (2-65-17 W3. Meadow Lake Provincial Park): A general fish population study was carried out on this lake to update 1977 records. Findings were as follows: WALLEYE - 3 netted weighing from 130-180g (4.5-10 oz.), indicating a poor population of walleye is present. NORTHERN PIKE - a moderate to good population of northern pike was indicated. Nets captured 17 pike weighing from 170-1750g (6-62 oz.). PERCH - small population of angling sized perch. 45 perch were netted with 8 weighing 110-200g (4-7 oz.) and the remainder 30-80g (1-3 oz.). 2 burbot were also captured in the test nets. Light angling activity with fair success for pike.

June 2,3 — LITTLE LOON LAKE (34,35-50-16 W3. East of Glaslyn): This lake is stocked with 100,000 walleye fry every second year. A population study was carried out to update 1977 records. Findings were as follows: WALLEYE - 156 netted weighing from 30-1100g (1-38 oz.), majority were 700-1100g (24-38 oz.). A very good population of walleye is present. NORTHERN PIKE - a sparse population of pike is indicated. 2 netted weighing 1475 & 5700g (52 oz. & 12.5 lb.). Angling success for walleye is good during the summer months.

June 8,9 — LITTLE NESSLIN LAKE (22-57-6 W3. West of Nesslin Lake): A study was carried out since no previous information on the fish population is available. Findings were as follows: WALLEYE - 4 netted weighing from 350-825g (12-29 oz.), indicating a relatively sparse population is present. NORTHERN PIKE - 22 captured weighing from 70-1800g (2.5-63 oz.) with the majority 850-950g (30-33 oz.). Netting indicates that a moderate to good population of pike is present. PERCH - 26 netted weighing from 20-550g (1-19 oz.), indicating a moderate population of angling sized perch. 1 common sucker was also taken in the test nets. Angling activity on this lake is limited due to the poor access.

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September 29,30 — LITTLE RASPBERRY LAKE (29,32-62-19 W3. Meadow Lake Provincial Park): This lake is stocked every second year with 15,000 splake. Netting in July failed to capture a suitable number of trout so another test was scheduled for the fall. Netting in September captured 86 splake weighing from 700-2300g (1½-5 lb.), indicating a good population is present. Angling success was reported to be fair.

June 2 — LONG CREEK RESERVOIR (33-2-14 W2. North of Oungre): A general fish population study was conducted. Test nets caught 23 northern pike and 5 perch. Pike ranged in size from 90g (3 oz.) to nearly 1.5 kg (about 3 lb.). Perch ranged in length from 10-27 cm (4-11 in.); the largest weighed 310g (11 oz.). Results indicated a fair angling population of pike and a sparse angling population of perch. Angling pressure has been moderate with fair to good success for pike.

July 19,20 — LORRAINE LAKE (28,29-55-27 W2. North of Anglin Lake): This lake is stocked annually with 3000 rainbow trout fingerlings. Netting was carried out to determine if winterkill occurred as borderline oxygen conditions were recorded in March. Nets captured 6 rainbow weighing from 175-750g (6-26 oz.) indicating that a complete winterkill did not occur.

September 3 — LOVERING LAKE (1-22-27 W3. 6.5 km West of Chamberlain): A partial winterkill occurred in Lovering Lake during the 1978-79 winter; walleye fry were stocked in 1979, '80 and '81. A fish population study was conducted to determine the present fish population. Test nets caught 42 walleye, 6 northern pike, 2 common suckers and 2 burbot. Walleye ranged in size from 130-2800g (0.3-6.2 lb.); their median size was 1000g (2.2 lb.). Pike ranged in size from 200-3100g (0.5-6.8 lb.); their median size was 700g (1.5 lb.). Results indicated a good population of walleye and poor population of pike were present.

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July 28

McLAREN LAKE (35-15-29 W3. North-west of Golden Prairie): McLaren Lake is stocked with walleye every second year. A fish population study was conducted to update 1978 records. Test nets caught 83 walleye, 14 perch and 1 northern pike. Walleye ranged in size from 80-1450g (3-51 oz.); their median size was 600g (21 oz.). Perch were all of good angling size; the largest weighed 490g (17 oz.). The one pike weighed 2800g (6 lb.). Results indicated the angling population of walleye was excellent, perch was good and pike was poor. Angling success for all species was reported as poor.

July 19,20

McPHEE LAKE (33,34,35-56-27 W2. Near East Entrance of P.A. National Park): This lake is stocked every second year with 150,000 walleye fry. A general fish population study was carried out to update 1978 records. Findings were as follows: WALLEYE - 67 netted weighing from 300-2200g (10-72 oz.), indicating a good population is present. NORTHERN PIKE - 9 netted weighing from 650-4800g (22 oz.-10.5 lb.). A fair population of pike is present. 7 common suckers were also captured in the test nets. Angling success for both walleye and pike is reported to be good.

July 6

MACKIE LAKE (6-58-17 W2. On Esker Road, Nipawin Park): Mackie Lake is stocked with 500 rainbow trout annually. A fish population study was conducted to update 1979 records. Test nets caught 11 rainbow trout; most were from this year's plant. The angling sized trout weighed about 250g (1/2 lb.). Results indicated a poor to fair population of trout was present. Angling success was reported to be good up to mid-June.

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June 23 — MADGE LAKE (31-30 W1. Duck Mountain Provincial Park): A fish population study was conducted on Madge Lake to update 1978 records. Test nets caught 39 walleye, 5 northern pike, 53 perch and 53 common suckers. Walleye ranged in size from 100-2400g (3 oz.-5 lb.); their median size was 450g (1 lb.). Pike ranged from 800-5300g (29 oz.-12 lb.). About half of perch taken were 25-32 cm in length (10-13 in.); the largest weighed 390g (13 oz.). Results indicated a fair-good population of small walleye, a limited population of pike and an increased population of angling sized perch.

August 19 — MARGO LAKE (9-33-10 W2. South of Margo): A fish population study was conducted on Margo Lake to update 1977 records. Test nets caught 159 walleye, 9 northern pike and 11 common suckers. Walleye ranged in size from 400-2300g (14 oz.-5 lb.); their median size was 1025g (2.3 lb.). Pike ranged from 400-825g (14-29 oz.). Results indicated an excellent population of walleye and poor-fair population of pike. Angling success was fair to good for both walleye and pike.

July 29,30 — MATHESON LAKE (62,63-20 W3. Meadow Lake Provincial Park): A general fish population study was carried out on Matheson Lake to update 1977 records. Netting indicated a moderate to good population of northern pike is present since 32 were captured weighing from 400-1250g (14-44 oz.). No angling sized perch were captured. 4 netted in the 30g (1 oz.) size range. 9 common suckers were also captured in the test nets. Angling success for pike was fair to good.

May 25,26 — MELVILLE TOWN RESERVOIR (23-7 W2. 2 km North-west of Melville): 8000 splake were stocked in 1981. No success of the plant indicated by test netting. Nets captured 3 northern pike and 109 common suckers.

June 3 — MORELAND RESERVOIR (29-9-19 W2. North-east of Pangman): Reservoir has had a good angling population of perch. Test netting was conducted to determine if perch had survived the severe winter. Nil fish were caught.

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September 9,10 — MORIN LAKE (24-52-8 W3. West of Debden): This lake was stocked with 200,000 walleye fry in 1979 & 1981; 20,000 lake trout fingerlings in 1981. Test nets were set to check for stocking success. Nets captured 26 walleye with one weighing 1525g (54 oz.), and the remainder 80-800g (3-20 oz.) indicating moderate to good stocking success for walleye. Five northern pike were captured with 2 weighing 7.2 & 7.3 kg (15.8 & 16 lb.) with the remaining 3 - 725-2100g (26-74 oz.). A fair population of pike is present. Also captured in the nets were 36 whitefish. No lake trout were captured indicating that the plant was unsuccessful. Angling success for pike is classed as fair with a few walleye also being caught.

July 26,27 — FIRST MUSTUS LAKE (4,9-63-9 W3. Meadow Lake Provincial Park): A general fish population study was carried out on this lake to update 1977 records. Findings were as follows: NORTHERN PIKE - 11 netted weighing from 140-950g (5-33.5 oz.), indicating a fair population is present. PERCH - a sparse population of angling sized perch is present since nets captured only 8 weighing from 20-180g (0.5-6.5 oz.). Also captured in the test nets were 12 common suckers, 9 whitefish and 1 burbot. Angling success for pike was reported to be fair.

July 27,28 — SECOND MUSTUS LAKE (7,12-63-19 W3. Meadow Lake Provincial Park): A general fish population study was carried out on this lake to update 1977 records. Findings were as follows: WALLEYE - 6 netted weighing from 775-1875g (27-66 oz.), indicating a fair population is present. NORTHERN PIKE - 19 captured with the majority weighing from 180-800g (6-28 oz.). 1 weighed 3500g (7.6 lb.). A good population of pike is present. PERCH - a sparse population of angling sized perch is present. 5 of the perch captured were 140-280g (5-10 oz.) with the remaining 9 - 20-90g (0.5-3 oz.). 16 common suckers, 16 whitefish and 2 cisco were also captured in the test nets. Angling success has been fair for pike.

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July 27,28 — THIRD MUSTUS LAKE (18,13-63-19,20 W3. Meadow Lake Provincial Park): A general fish population study was carried out on this lake to update 1977 records. Findings were as follows: WALLEYE - 17 netted weighing from 400-2000g (14-72 oz.), indicating a fair to moderate population is present. NORTHERN PIKE - 16 netted with the majority weighing from 100-1100g (3.5-38 oz.), 1 was 7300g (16 lb.). A fair to moderate population is present. PERCH - a sparse population of angling sized perch is present. 4 were 200-280g (7-10 oz.), with the remainder 30-120g (1-4 oz.). 56 common suckers and 3 cisco were also captured in the test nets. Angling success was reported to be fair for pike and walleye.

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August 17 — NELSON LAKE (14-35-6 W2. North-west of Preeceville): Nelson Lake is stocked every third year with walleye fry. A fish population study was conducted to update 1979 records and to evaluate newly constructed spawning beds. Eyed walleye eggs were planted on the beds in 1981. Test nets caught 22 walleye, 8 northern pike and 44 perch. Since no yearling walleye were taken, the spawning beds do not appear to have been successful. Walleye ranged in size from 280-2900g (10 oz.-6.4 lb.); their median size was 2.7 lb. Pike ranged in size from 240-3700g (8 oz.-8.2 lb.); their median size was 1450g (3.2 lb.). All perch taken were too small for angling except one; this one weighed 200g. Results indicated a fair population of walleye, a poor - fair population of pike and a poor angling population of perch. Angling success was poor for walleye and good for pike.

June 9,10 — NESSLIN LAKE (56-6 W3. North-east of Big River): To determine the feasibility of lake trout stocking in Nesslin Lake, netting of the deep water area was carried out to check for the presence of predatory fish. Test nets were set in depths ranging from 18 to 28 meters (58 to 90 ft.) with 6 walleye, 2 northern pike and 3 burbot captured. Limited success from stocking fingerling lake trout would probably be achieved due to the presence of predator fish. Also captured in the test nets were 32 whitefish.

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July 26 — NINE MILE CREEK (35,36-7-30 W3. West Block, Cypress Hills): A fish population study was conducted on Nine Mile Creek to update 1978 records. Test nets caught only 6 common suckers. Results indicated that no brook or rainbow trout were present. No angling activity was reported on this creek.

July 7 — NIPAWIN LAKE (33-58-18 W2. Near Lower Fishing Lake-Nipawin Provincial Park): Nipawin Lake is stocked with 1300 brook trout annually. A fish population study was conducted to update 1979 records. Test nets caught 15 brook trout and 2 chub. Brook trout ranged in size from 60-380g (2-14 oz.); their median size was 120g (4 oz.). Results indicated a fair population of small trout was present. Angling activity is reported as light.

June 28,29 — NISTUM LAKE (16,17-63-1 W2. South of Creighton): This lake is stocked every second year with 40,000 rainbow trout fingerlings. Test nets were set to update 1977 records on the trout population. The nets were tampered with so no true assessment of the population can be made. 11 rainbow ranging in size from 1.6-2.8 kg (3.5-6.2 lb.) were captured. Angling success is reported to be good.

June 2 — OLSON LAKE (19-4-17 W2. South of Radville): Walleye were stocked in 1981. Test netting was conducted to determine stocking success. Nil fish were caught. Results indicate that stocking was unsuccessful.

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July 7 — PINE LAKE (18-58-18 W2. Mile 42, Hanson Lake Road): Pine Lake was originally stocked with grayling but angling success was poor. Splake were stocked in 1979 and 1981 in an attempt to improve angling. A fish population study was carried out to determine future management plans. Test nets caught 6 splake and nil grayling. Splake ranged in size from 325-2300g (0.7-5 lb.). Results indicated a fair population of splake was present. Angling activity was reported as light.

August 17,18 — PINKNEY LAKE (58-21 W2. North-east of Whelan Bay): A gereral fish population study was carried out on Pinkney Lake to update 1977 records. Findings were as follows: WALLEYE - 16 netted weighing from 150-1575g (4.5-55 oz.), indicating a moderate walleye population is present. NORTHERN PIKE - A fair to moderate population of pike was indicated since 11 were netted weighing from 325-950g (11-33 oz.). PERCH - no angling sized perch were captured. 1 netted weighing 40g (1.5 oz.). Moderate angling activity with fair to good success reported for pike and walleye.

May 13, June 1 — PIPE LAKE (18-57-18 W3. North-east of Chitek Lake): 3000 rainbow trout were stocked in Pipe Lake in 1981. Nets captured no trout indicating that the plant was unsuccessful.

August 18 — PIPRELL LAKE (59-20 W2. North-east of Whiteswan Lake): This lake is stocked annually with 32,000 rainbow trout fingerlings. Test netting indicated a fair population of rainbow trout is present. Nets captured 6 rainbow weighing from 30-900g (1-32 oz.). Also captured were 78 common suckers. Fair to good angling success is reported.

June 17 — PITCH LAKE (19-51-9 W3. North of Mildred): A severe winterkill of perch and pike occurred during the 1979-80 winter. Re-stocking was recommended to help ensure a faster recovery of the fish population. 2600 fingerling perch were stocked this year.

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July 13 — POTTS LAKE (S.W. 4-41-25 W2. East of Cudworth): Potts Lake was stocked with splake and rainbow trout in 1981 and with rainbow trout again in 1982. Test netting was conducted to determine stocking success. Nets caught 62 rainbow trout and no splake. Rainbow ranged in size from 40-90g (2-3 oz.). Age analysis will have to be carried out to determine whether any trout were from the 1981 plant. No angling has been reported.

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June 21,22 — RAINBOW LAKE (km 98.8, Hwy. #102. North of La Ronge): This lake is stocked annually with 2000 rainbow and 1500 brook trout. Test nets were set to check on the trout population. Nets captured 15 brook trout weighing from 60-220g (2-7.5 oz.), indicating a moderate to good population. A relatively poor population of rainbow was indicated as 2 were captured weighing 370 & 500g (13 & 18 oz.). 27 common suckers were also captured. Angling activity is moderate wich fair to good success reported.

May 26,27 — RANGER LAKE (30-57-21 W2. North-east of Heritage Lake): 3000 splake were stocked in 1981. A check on the splake stocking indicated good success of the plant. Nets captured 35 splake weighing from 200-650g (7-23 oz.).

July 14 — RHONA LAKE (2,11-43-23 W2. Near Basin Lake): A winter oxygen test in March 1979, indicated borderline conditions for fish survival in Rhona Lake. Test netting was conducted to determine if fish were still present. Nets caught 22 perch. All perch were small; the largest weighed 60g (2.5 oz.). Results indicated a partial winterkill likely occurred and that angling sized fish were not present.

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June 29

ROUND LAKE (16,21-39-10 W2. 32 km South-west of Porcupine Plain): A fish population study was conducted on Round Lake to update 1977 records. Test nets caught 32 walleye, 126 northern pike and 74 common suckers. Walleye ranged in size from 250-1800g (8 oz.-4 lb.); their median size was 800g (1.8 lb.). Pike ranged from 240-2700g (8 oz.-6 lb.); their median size was 500g (1.1 lb.). Results indicated a relatively good population of small gamefish. Angling activity was moderate with fair to good success for walleye and pike.

July 21

RUSSELL CREEK (35,36-11-13 & 27-11-12 W3. Near Neville): Russell Creek has been stocked every few years with brook trout; the last plant was in 1981. A fish population study was conducted to update 1978 records. Test nets caught 46 brook trout and 97 common suckers; only 1 trout was taken at location 27-11-12 W3. Brook trout ranged in size from 20-775g (1-27 oz.); their median size was 120g (4 oz.). Results indicated a good population of small trout was present. Angling success was reported as good.

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August 18,19

SAND LAKE (13-60-20 W2. North of Piprell Lake): This lake is stocked annually with 1000 brook trout fingerlings. Test netting indicated a good population of brook trout is present. Nets captured 27 brook trout weighing from 130-875g (4.5-31 oz.). Moderate angling activity with fair success reported.

June 14

SCISSORS CREEK (11-17-32 W1. 10 km North-west of Rocanville): Scissors Creek is stocked with 1000 brook every other year. A fish population study was conducted to update 1978 records. Test nets caught 8 brook trout, 1 brown trout, 35 common suckers, 24 creek chub and 7 common shiners. Brook trout ranged in size from 0.3-0.6 kg (0.6-1.3 lb.); the brown trout weighed about 1.4 kg (3 lb.). Results indicated a fair population of trout was present. Angling was reported to be very light.

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August 19,20 — SEALEY LAKE (10,14,15-61-18 W2. km 100, Hwy. #106): This lake is stocked with 15,000 rainbow then 6000 brook trout on an alternate year basis. Test netting indicated a good population of both rainbow and brook trout. 58 brook were captured weighing from 300-1350g (10.5-48 oz.). 35 rainbow were netted with 7 weighing from 500-2200g (18 oz.-4.8 lb.), and the remainder 30-180g (1-6 oz.). Heavy angling activity with moderate to good success reported.

June 16 — SHELL LAKE (5,8-56-11 W3. North-east of Chitek Lake): Recent netting captured no fish indicating that a complete winterkill occurred during the 1981-82 winter so fish stocking was recommended. 700 fingerling and adult perch were stocked this year. The population should increase by natural reproduction.

August 24,25 — SHIRLEY LAKE (35-63-9 W3. South of Dore Lake): This lake is stocked with 10,000 rainbow trout fingerlings every second year. Test netting indicated a moderate population of rainbow. Nets captured 14 rainbow weighing from 850-1800g (30-64 oz.). Moderate angling activity with fair success reported.

June 14 — SMUTS LAKE (33,3-40,41-1 W3. Near Alvena): Trout (rainbow, brook) were stocked in Smuts Lake in 1968 and 1969 but a complete winterkill occurred during the 1969-70 winter. Since perch can tolerate a lower winter dissolved oxygen level than trout, 3450 fingerling and adult perch were stocked this year. The population should increase by natural reproduction.

June 7,8 — SNELL (MAY) LAKE (13-60-7 W3. North of Hackett Lake): This lake was netted to determine the degree of a suspected winterkill. Nets captured no fish indicating that a complete kill of rainbow and brook trout occurred during the 1981-82 winter.

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September 1 — S.P.C. COAL PITS "G" & "H". Near Sask. Power Station at Estevan): Pits "G" & "H" were stocked with rainbow trout in 1978 and with splake in 1979. A fish population study was conducted to determine stocking success. Test nets caught 9 splake in "G" and 5 splake in "H"; no rainbows were taken. In "G", splake weighed between 650 & 975g (1.5 & 2.1 lb.), while in "H" they weighed between 220 & 450g (0.5 & 1.0 lb.). Results indicated fair populations of splake were present and a much better growth rate occurred in pit "G". Angling activity was reported as light and success was fair; some rainbows were reportedly caught this year.

July 14 — SPIRIT LAKE (2,3,10-41-30 W1. Woody Lake Road): Spirit Lake is stocked biennially with 500,000 walleye (only 150,000 were stocked in 1981). This population study was done to update the 1979 information. Test nets caught 92 walleye, 16 pike, 24 perch and 27 suckers. The walleye ranged from 180-1500g (6 oz.-3.3 lb.), while the pike ranged from 120-6800g (4 oz.-15 lb.), and the perch ranged from 30-400g (1-14 oz.). The lake contains a good population of walleye and perch, and a moderate pike population. Angling pressure is heavy with good catches of pike being taken while the study was underway.

July 21,22 — STEEP CREEK (18-49-23 W2. East of Prince Albert): This creek is stocked annually with 1000 brook trout fingerlings. A population study was carried out to update 1978 records. Netting indicated a moderate to good population of brook trout. 23 brook trout were taken in the nets, weighing from 100-575g (3.5-20 oz.). 2 common suckers were also captured. Fair amount of angling activity on this creek.

July 14 — STRUTHERS LAKE (45-23 W2. East of Crystal Springs): A fish population study was conducted on Struthers Lake to update 1978 records. Test nets caught 5 walleye, 33 northern pike, 219 perch and 5 common suckers. Walleye ranged in size from 1200-2400g (2.6-5.3 lb.). Pike ranged from 450-2500g (1-5.5 lb.); their median size was 900g (2 lb.). About 1/3 of the perch taken were of good angling size; the largest weighed 320g (11 oz.). Results indicated good gamefish populations of pike and perch and a small population of walleye. Angling was reported to be good for perch and pike.

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July 22 — SUMMERCOVE RESERVOIR (29-4-8 W3. 11 km South of Mankota): Summercove Reservoir is stocked with walleye every second year. A fish population study was conducted to update 1978 records. Test nets caught 23 walleye and 82 common suckers. Walleye ranged in size from 40-2600g (2 oz.-8 lb.); their median size was 340g (12 oz.). Results indicated a good walleye population was present. Angling success was reported to be good in the early summer.

June 8,9 — SWEDE LAKE (14-57-6 W3. Near Nesslin Lake): A general fish population study was carried out on Swede Lake to update 1977 records. Findings were as follows: NORTHERN PIKE - 26 netted weighing from 300-6500g (10.5 oz.-14.1 lb.), indicating a moderate to good population is present. PERCH - 30 captured weighing from 30-420g (1-15 oz.). Netting indicates a moderate population of perch with some of good angling size. 7 common suckers were also captured in the test nets. Angling activity is moderate with fair success for pike reported.

June 9 — TATHAM LAKE (58-6 W3. 10 km South-east of Hackett Lake): A general fish population study was conducted to update 1977 records. Test nets caught 34 walleye, 12 northern pike and 3 white suckers. Walleye ranged in size from 0.5-1.1 kg (1-2.5 lb.); most weighed about 0.9 kg (2 lb.). Pike were mostly small, about 0.7 kg (1.5 lb.). Results indicated a good angling population of walleye. Angling success has only been fair.

June 7,8 — TERRA LAKE (3-60-7 W3. North of Hackett Lake): This lake was netted to determine the degree of a suspected winterkill. Nets captured no fish indicating that a complete kill of rainbow trout occurred during the 1981-82 winter.

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August 31 & September 1

TOLAND BAY LAKE (104°49' 55°18'20" Near Toland Bay-North end of Lac la Ronge: A population study of brook trout was carried out on Toland Bay Lake. The most recent plants were 5000 brook trout fingerlings in 1980; 4000 in 1981. Nets captured 49 brook trout weighing from 170-600g (6-22 oz.), indicating a good population is present. Also captured in the test nets were 15 common suckers. Light angling activity with moderate to good success reported.

August 26,27

TUKWAKISIP CREEK (33-66-15 W3. South-west of Keeley Lake): A total of 7000 rainbow trout fingerlings were stocked from 1976 to 1979 with only limited success. 2000 brook trout were stocked in 1981. A check on the brook trout stocking indicated fair success of the plant. Nets captured 5 brook trout weighing from 130-180g (4.5-10 oz.). Also captured in the nets were 2 northern pike, and 5 suckers.

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June 11

WALDHEIM DUGOUT (N.W½ 15-42-5 W2. Valley Regional Park, Waldheim): Waldheim Dugout is stocked with 500 rainbow trout in the spring and 200 in the fall. A fish population study was conducted to update 1979 records. Test nets caught only 2 trout; these were 12 and 26 cm (5 & 10 in.) in length. Results indicated a poor angling population.

August 9-11

WATERHEN LAKE (63-17 W3. Meadow Lake Provincial Park): A general fish population study was carried out on Waterhen Lake to update 1978 records. Findings were as follows: WALLEYE - 31 netted weighing from 400-1925g (14-68 oz.), indicating a fair to moderate walleye population is present. NORTHERN PIKE - a good population of northern pike indicated by the test nets. 45 netted with 1 weighing 3700g (8 lb.) and the remainder 200-2500g (7 oz.-5.5 lb.). PERCH - sparse population of angling sized perch is present. 6 netted with 5 weighing from 30-50g (1-2 oz.), and one 440g (15.5 oz.). Also captured in the test nets were 1 sauger, 40 whitefish, 16 tullibee, 93 common suckers and 1 longnose sucker. Angling success for pike was reported to be fair.

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August 30,31 — WEST LAKE (55°19' 104°33' Near Rapid River Outlet - Lac la Ronge): This lake is stocked annually with 1200 rainbow trout fingerlings. Test nets indicated a moderate to good population of rainbow as 16 were captured ranging in size from 310-1000g (11-35 oz.). Light angling activity on this lake.

August 24 — WHITEBEAR RESERVOIR (24-22-17 W3. 0.5 km North-West of Whitebear): Whitebear Reservoir is stocked annually with rainbow trout. A fish population study was conducted to update 1977 records. Test nets caught 17 rainbows. Rainbows ranged in size from 40-1250g (2 oz.-2.8 lb.); their median size was 100g (4 oz.). Pesults indicated a good population of small trout and a moderate number of larger trout were present.

August 16,17 — WHITESWAN LAKE (WHELAN BAY) (59-21 W2. North of Candle Lake): Test netting in 1981 indicated that a good population of mature lake trout was present. Further netting was scheduled for 1982, mainly to check for immature trout. Nets captured 72 lake trout weighing from 110-5500g (4 oz.-12 lb.) with the majority 2000-3100g (4.5-6.8 lb.). The study indicates that a good population of adult lake trout is present. Only 3 immature trout were captured. Fair to good angling success reported.

June 16 — WOLSELEY RESERVOIR (36-16-10 W2. South of Wolseley): Wolseley Reservoir has been stocked with walleye, pike and perch. The most recent stocking of walleye was in 1981. A fish population study was conducted to update 1979 records and to check on the 1981 plant. Test nets caught 2 walleye, 0 pike and 2 perch. The walleye weighed 50 & 1300g (2 & 30 oz.). Results indicated a limited gamefish population. Angling was reported as fair.

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July 13 — WOODY LAKE (27,28-40-31 W1. Woody Lake Road): Woody Lake was stocked with 200,000 walleye in 1979 and 100,000 walleye in 1981. A population study was carried out to update the 1978 records. Test nets caught 8 walleye, 6 pike, 31 perch and 30 suckers. The walleye ranged in size from 350-1175g (12 oz.-2.6 lb.), while the pike ranged from 225-650g (8-23 oz.), and the perch were from 175-380g (6-13.4 oz.). This study would indicate that only a fair population of walleye, pike and perch are present in Woody Lake.

July 13 — WOODY RIVER (40-30 W1. Woody Lake Road): The Woody River has been stocked since 1972 with brook trout, the last stocking being in 1979. A population study was carried out to update 1978 information. The river was test netted in two places, near Woody Lake and south of Smallfish Lake near the fire tower. 6 pike were caught near Woody Lake and 1 pike near fire tower; no brook trout were caught at either location.

August 20 — WYNYARD RESERVOIR (15-32-16 W2. South-west of Wynyard): Wynyard Reservoir has been stocked with rainbow trout in the past. Test netting was conducted to determine the success of the 1981 plant of rainbow and splake. Test nets caught 7 rainbows and 4 splake. Three rainbows and all the splake were from the 1981 plant indicating fair stocking success. Rainbows ranged in size from 180-600g (6-21 oz.). Splake ranged from 200-280g (7-10 oz.). Results indicated a poor - fair angling population of trout was present. Angling success for this year has been nil so far.

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July 6 & 8 — ZEDEN LAKE (6-58-18 W2. Mile 40, Hanson Lake Road): Zeden Lake is stocked with kokanee salmon and rainbow trout. A fish population study was conducted to update 1979 records. Test nets caught 67 kokanee and 4 rainbows. The largest kokanee taken weighed 220g (1/2 lb.). Rainbows weighed between 600-1000g (1.3-2.2 lb.). Results indicated a good population of small kokanee and only a poor to fair population of rainbows. Angling success is reported as fair.